## STATE OF ILLINOIS SECRETARY OF STATE SECURITIES DEPARTMENT

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IN THE MATTER OF:	)
Leonard Hayes,	) ) File No. 09-00225
And New Vision Construction of Illinois, Inc.,	)
Respondents	)
	)

# **ORDER OF PROHIBITION**

TO RESPONDENTS:

Leonard Hayes

4749 West Lincoln Highway

Suite 403

Matteson Illinois 60443

New Vision Construction of Illinois, Inc.

C/O Leonard Hayes

20550 South Cicero Avenue Matteson Illinois 60443

WHEREAS, a Temporary Order of Prohibition was issued by the Illinois Secretary of State on October 28, 2010, temporarily prohibiting the Respondent from offering or selling securities in the State of Illinois for a maximum period of ninety (90) days.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 11.F of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953 [815 ILCS 5/1 et. seq] (the "Act"), the failure to request a hearing within thirty (30) calendar days of the entry of a Temporary Order of Prohibition shall constitute an admission of any facts alleged therein and constitute a sufficient basis to make the Temporary Order final.

WHEREAS, Respondent Leonard Hayes and Respondent New Vision Construction of Illinois, Inc have failed to request a hearing on the matters contained in the Temporary Order of Prohibition within thirty (30) calendar days of the entry of said

Temporary Order and the Respondents are hereby deemed to have admitted the facts alleged in the said Temporary Order.

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State, by and through his duly authorized representative, has adopted the Findings of Fact contained in the said Temporary Order as the Secretary of State's Findings of act as follows:

- 1. Respondent **Leonard Hayes**, ("Respondent Hayes") is an individual with a last known address of 4749 West Lincoln Highway, Suite 403, Matteson Illinois 60443.
- 2. Respondent New Vision Construction of Illinois, Inc. ("Respondent New Vision") is an Illinois corporation with a current status of "dissolved," and has a last known address as 20550 South Cicero Avenue, Matteson Illinois 60443. Respondent Hayes is listed as its President and Registered Agent.
- 3. Respondent Hayes solicited investors on behalf of his company, Respondent New Vision.
- 4. Respondents told investors the investment funds were to be used for the construction of homes. Investor(s) would share in the profits of the sales of said homes.
- One or more Illinois Investor(s) received a Promissory Note signed by Respondent Hayes on behalf of Respondent New Vision. The Promissory Note promised to pay Illinois investor(s) 50% (fifty percent) return on Illinois Investor(s) principal, every 120 days.
- 6. One or more Illinois Investor(s) entered into a "Contractual Agreement," or Profit Sharing Agreement, with Respondent New Vision. The Contractual Agreement was signed by Respondent Hayes on behalf of Respondent New Vision, and secured by the Promissory Note which promised Illinois Investor(s) over 50% (fifty percent) return on investment upon sale of the home(s) to be built.

### FAILURE TO REGISTER SECURITIES

- 7. That neither Respondent Hayes nor Respondent New Vision registered the promissory note(s) or investment contract(s) with the Illinois Securities Department.
- 8. That the activities alleged in paragraphs three through six (3-6) constitute the offer and sale of a security as that term is defined in Section 2.1, 2.5 and 2.5a of the Illinois Securities Act of 1953 [815 ILCS 5] (the "Act").

- 9. That Section 5 of the Act provides, *inter alia*, that "all securities except those set forth under Section 2a of this Act ... or those exempt ... shall be registered ... prior to their offer or sale in this State."
- 10. That Respondents failed to file an application with the Secretary of State to register the promissory notes(s) or investment contract(s) as required by the Act, and as a result neither the promissory note(s) nor the investment contract(s) were registered as such prior to their offer and sale in the State of Illinois.
- 11. That Section 12.A of the Act provides, *inter alia*, that it shall be a violation for any person to offer or sell any security except in accordance with the provisions of the Act.
- 12. That Section 12.D of the Act provides, *inter alia*, that it shall be a violation for any person "to fail to file with the Secretary of State any application, report or document, required to be filed under the provisions of the Act or any rule or regulation made by the Secretary of State pursuant to the Act."
- 13. That by virtue of the foregoing, Respondent Hayes and Respondent New Vision violated Sections 12.A and 12.D of the Act.

## <u>FRAUD</u>

- 14. Illinois Investor(s) made several demands for the return of their investment(s) with Respondents Hayes and New Vision but Illinois Investor(s) did not receive their returns, nor their principal.
- 15. One or more Illinois Investor received an Installment Note from Respondents Hayes and New Vision. Some payments were made to Illinois Investor(s) but the total agreed upon amount was never paid.
- 16. Respondents Hayes and New Vision sold securities to multiple Illinois Investors and failed to abide by the terms set forth in both the Promissory Note and the Contractual Agreement:
  - a. That the investment funds would be used for the construction of home(s) and
  - b. The Illinois Investor(s) would share in the profits of the sale(s) of the(se) home(s).

Such failure worked as a fraud or deceit.

17. Section 12.F of the Act provides that it shall be a violation of the provisions of this Act for any person to engage in any transaction, practice or course of business

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in connection with the sale of purchase of securities which works or tends to work a fraud or deceit upon the purchaser or seller thereof.

- 18. Respondent Hayes and Respondent New Vision obtained money from Illinois Investors through the sale of said Promissory Note(s) and Contractual Agreement by means of untrue statements of material fact(s). Respondents promised to use investment funds for the construction of homes. Investment funds were not used for their stated purpose.
- 19. Section 12.G of the Act provides that it shall be a violation of the provisions of this Act for any person to obtain money or property through the sale of securities by means of any untrue statement of a material fact or any omission to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.
- 20. Respondent Hayes and Respondent New Vision solicited investors and held themselves out as Builders in search of funds for the construction of home(s). Respondents Hayes and Respondent New Vision did not use the investment funds from Illinois Investors for their stated purpose.
- 21. Section 12.I of the Act provides that it shall be a violation of the provisions of this Act for any person to employ any device, scheme or artifice to defraud in connection with the sale or purchase of any security, directly or indirectly.
- 22. By virtue of the foregoing, Respondent Hayes and Respondent New Vision violated Sections 12.F, 12.G and 12.I of the Act.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT: pursuant to the authority granted by Section 11.F of the Act,

Respondent Hayes and Respondent New Vision are <u>HEREBY PROHIBITED</u> from offering or selling securities in or from this State of Illinois.

Dated this 29th day of November, 2010.

JESSE WHITE Secretary of State

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NOTICE: Failure to comply with the terms of this Order shall be a violation of Section 12.D of the Act. Any person or entity who fails to comply with the terms of this Order of the Secretary of State, having knowledge of the existence of the Order, shall be guilty of a Class 4 Felony.

This is a final order subject to administrative review pursuant to the Administrative Review Law, {735 ILCS 5/3-101 et seq} and the Rules and Regulations of the Illinois Securities Act, {14 Ill. Admin. Code Ch. 1, Section 130.1123}. Any action for Judicial Review must be commenced within thirty-five (35) days from the date a copy of this Order is served upon the party seeking review.

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